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SUBJECT: US-USSR TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT: PRE-
RENEWAL DISCUSSIONS DURING FORTHCOMING VISIT OF US
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY (05.00)

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1. DURING MARCH 20 MEETING AT SCST, A. P. METAL'NIKOV
REITERATED TO SCICOUNS SOVIET VIEW THAT THERE IS A
"LEGAL" PROBLEM IN CONNECTION WITH US DECISION TO DROP
MARINE TRANSPORT SECTION OF THE TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT.
METAL'NIKOV THEN ADVISED THAT SCST HAS ARRANGED A MEETING
FOR US EXECUTIVE SECRETARY BERNARD RAMUNDO WITH SOVIET
AGREEMENT COCHAIRMAN ALEKSENKO DURING THE FORMER'S MAY
VISIT TO MOSCOW IN AN EFFORT TO RESOLVE THIS MATTER.
SCICOUNS RESPONDED THAT WE DETECTED NO SOVIET MOVEMENT
THAT WOULD MAKE FURTHER DISCUSSIONS ABOUT THIS DEFUNCT
SECTION OF THE AGREEMENT WORTHWHILE.

2. SCICOUNS ALSO POINTED OUT THAT THE SOVIETS HAD AGAIN
NOT PROVIDED ACCESS TO AN OPERATIONAL AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL
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(ATC) FACILITY TO AN AMERICAN DELEGATION, ON THIS
OCCASION TO THE US MLS DELEGATION WHICH DEPARTED MARCH 16
(SUMMARY OF USDEL VISIT REPORTED SEPTTEL). THIS REPRESENTED
ANOTHER IN WHAT HAS BECOME A SERIES OF SOVIET FAILURES TO
MEET COMMITMENTS TO OPEN WORKING ATC CENTERS AND THE
CONTINUATION OF THIS TREND MAY WELL LEAD TO THE SAME SORT
OF PROBLEMS WE HAVE RECENTLY EXPERIENCED WITH RESPECT TO

ICE-TRANSITING COOPERATION. SCICOUNS NOTED IN PARTICULAR
THAT THE US EXPECTS AN AMERICAN ATC DELEGATION SCHEDULED
TO VISIT THE USSR IN JUNE TO RECEIVE THE OFT-
REQUESTED ACCESS TO A SOVIET ATC CENTER. METAL'NIKOV
RESPONDED THAT HE WOULD LOOK INTO THIS MATTER. TOON

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